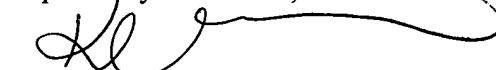


REMARKS

Applicants discovered a typographic error in the Preliminary Amendment filed March 13, 2002 in the above-noted patent application. Specifically, the Preliminary Amendment recited "December 15, 2001" as the filing date for Provisional Application 60/256,121 from which priority is claimed. The proper year of filing for the Provisional Application is 2000, rather than 2001, i.e., the correct Provisional date is December 15, 2000 (the date on the Preliminary Amendment was clearly a typographic error because the Utility Application was filed December 13, 2001, which would have been before the filing if its own priority application, which is not possible). The Amendment made herein simply corrects the typographic error. A copy of the filing receipt and the Utility Application Transmittal showing the correct date of the Provisional Application are enclosed for reference. The amendment adds no new matter.

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